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POETRY: *A Magazine of Verse*

THE LOVER—IN STRAWBERRY TIME

*While I pick the berries sweet
In the woods near where you live,
Oh, Kohanka, let us meet—
Happiness to me you'll give.*

Kokhanits, I've much to do,
I've no time to roam about—
Not an hour to play with you
Lest my fire may go out.

*Oh, Kohanka, how you slave!
You would surely lose your life
If forevermore you gave
All your time to clean a knife.*

I was born, O vagrant one,
Not to sit in rocking-chair;
Happier I when all is done
Than a rich man's daughter fair.

She has but her hair to curl—
I make all things fair to see.
Work has never killed a girl;
Work will never finish me.

THE DAY BEFORE THE WEDDING

The bride sings to her lover:
Broad were the leaves on the lofty tree—